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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 - EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2153

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Kenneth Lee Harper Serial No.: 09/641,045 Filed: August 17, 2000 Confirmation No. 4757 Group Art Unit: 2153 Examiner: Kevin S. Parton

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METHODS, SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR DETERMINING A POINT OF LOSS OF DATA ON A COMMUNICATION

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL

Sir:

Applicant provides the present response to address the issues raised in the Final Office Action mailed November 5, 2003 ("Final Action"). Applicant provides the present Amendment pursuant to the rules stated in revised 37 C.F.R. 1.121 that became effective on July 30, 2003.

If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.